

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 138.

AN ACT to amend chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, entitled taxation of railroad, telegraph, fire, inland navigation and life insurance companies.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section one thousand two hundred and nineteen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, entitled taxation of railroad, telegraph, fire, inland navigation and life insurance companies, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Every company transacting the business of insurance against fire, or by the risk of inland navigation and transportation, except town insurance companies, shall pay to the state treasurer, on or before the first day of February in each year, as a license fee for transacting such business, two per cent. of the amount of the gross income, including cash, notes, receipts on installment notes taken for premium, and assessments on premium notes, received by such company during the preceding year in this state, as shown by the annual statement of its business, required to be made by law; but for the purpose of estimating the amount of such license fee to be paid by companies organized under the laws of this state, the sum paid for officers' salaries and office expenditures shall be deducted from the total amount of such gross income, and the license fee shall be two per cent. of the remainder, after such deduction. Such license, when granted, shall authorize the company to whom it is issued to transact its business until the last day of January in the ensuing year, unless sooner revoked or forfeited, according to law.

License fee.

Salaries and office expenses to be deducted.

Life of license.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 1, 1879.